

Reply to Notices of Non-Compliant Amendments of 12/19/07 and 8/27/08

REMARKS

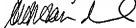
The text corresponding to each of "Withdrawn" claims 1-25 and 43-45 has been inserted to correctly identify the claims. Applicants note that no new matter has been introduced. Pursuant to the Examiner's objection, claim fees have been adjusted to accurately reflect total number of claims. Applicants previously submitted payment for 45 total claims and 4 independent claims upon initial filing of the application on November 26, 2003. Applicants also submitted payment for 7 additional dependent claims upon filing of the Response dated December 7, 2007. .

The attorney signature has been corrected to comply with 37 CFR 1.4.

Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner should have any questions concerning this communication or feels that an interview would be helpful to expedite allowance of this case, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' undersigned attorney.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 20-0809.

Respectfully submitted,



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